

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 BOMBAY 02534 301039Z

41

ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 EB-07 SP-02 CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00

FEAE-00 TRSE-00 FPC-01 OMB-01 AID-05 IGA-01 L-03 /038 W

----- 047672

R 300902Z SEP 75

FM AMCONSUL BOMBAY

TO USDOC WASHDC

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 5764

AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

AMCONSUL CALCUTTA

AMCONSUL MADRAS

UNCLAS BOMBAY 2534

E. O. 11652: F/A

TAGS: BEXP, BTIO, IN

SUBJ: EARLY WARNING: PROPOSED BOMBAY-PUNE PIPELINE
PROJECT

REF: 10 FAM 947; CERP SECTION D

1. MR. S. KRISHNASWAMY, CHAIRMAN, HINDUSTAN PETROLEUM CORPORATION (HPC), BOMBAY, GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED OIL REFINING AND MARKETING FIRM WITH ESSO HOLDING MINORITY EQUITY INTEREST, ANNOUNCED SEPTEMBER 29 THAT HPC IS EXAMINING FEASIBILITY OF LAYING 168 KILOMETER LONG PIPELINE BETWEEN BOMBAY AND PUNE (PREVIOUSLY SPELLED POONA), THE SECOND LARGEST INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL CITY IN MAHARASHTRA STATE, TO TRANSPORT PETROLEUM PRODUCTS.

2. PROPOSED PROJECT IS DESIGNED TO ESTABLISH CAPTIVE CAPACITY FOR HPC TO MARKET ITS PRODUCTS IN PUNE AND ADJOINING AREAS MORE EFFICIENTLY AND TO OVERCOME SUPPLY BOTTLENECKS ARISING FROM SHORTAGE OF RAILROAD TANKER WAGONS AND LIMITED HAULAGE CAPACITY OF THE RAILROAD SYSTEM. THE PIPELINE IS DEEMED ESSENTIAL IN VIEW OF INCREASED PROCESSING CAPACITIES OF BOMBAY REFINERIES.

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 BOMBAY 02534 301039Z

3. COSTING APPROXIMATELY \$26.6 MILLION, MOSTLY IN LOCAL

CURRENCY (EXCHANGE COMPONENT NOT KNOWN), PIPELINE WILL CARRY ONE MILLION METRIC TONS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IN FIRST STAGE. INDIAN GOVERNMENT'S CLEARANCE FOR PROJECT IS EXPECTED BY NEXT YEAR, AND CONSTRUCTION LIKELY TO BE COMPLETED IN NEXT THREE YEARS.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: DISSEMINATE FOREGOING PRELIMINARY INFORMATION AMONG PIPELINE CONTRACTORS. INTERESTED FIRMS SHOULD COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH MR. S.KRISHNASWAMY, CHAIRMAN, HPC, 7 JAMSHSDJI TATA ROAD, BOMBAY 400 020; TELEX - 011-2411; CABLE: HINDPETCOR.

5. FYI: WE ARE TRANSMITTING SEPARATE MESSAGE ON HPC.
BANE

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 30 SEP 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975BOMBAY02534
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750338-0575
From: BOMBAY
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t1975093/aaaaabrx.tel
Line Count: 75
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION NEA
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: RowellE0
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 20 MAR 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <20 MAR 2003 by maustmc>; APPROVED <18 FEB 2004 by RowellE0>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
06 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: EARLY WARNING: PROPOSED BOMBAY-PUNE PIPELINE PROJECT
TAGS: BEXP, BTIO, IN
To: COM
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006